

## ABSTRACT

Disclosed is anti-alumina-buildup refractories for casting nozzles, which comprises a refractory aggregate including 20 mass% or more of CaO component, and 10 mass % or more of clinker particles each containing CaO as a mineral phase, on the basis of 100 mass % of the entire composition. At least a part of the surfaces of the CaO exposed from the surfaces of the corresponding clinker particles is formed with a  $\text{CaCO}_3$  film. The  $\text{CaCO}_3$  film releases  $\text{CO}_2$  gas through thermal decomposition to smooth an operative surface of the nozzle so as to prevent the accretion of metal thereon, so that CaO is continuously supplied to alumina attached on the operative surface to prevent alumina buildup. In addition, the  $\text{CaCO}_3$  film effectively prevents the hydration of CaO due to a hydration reaction.